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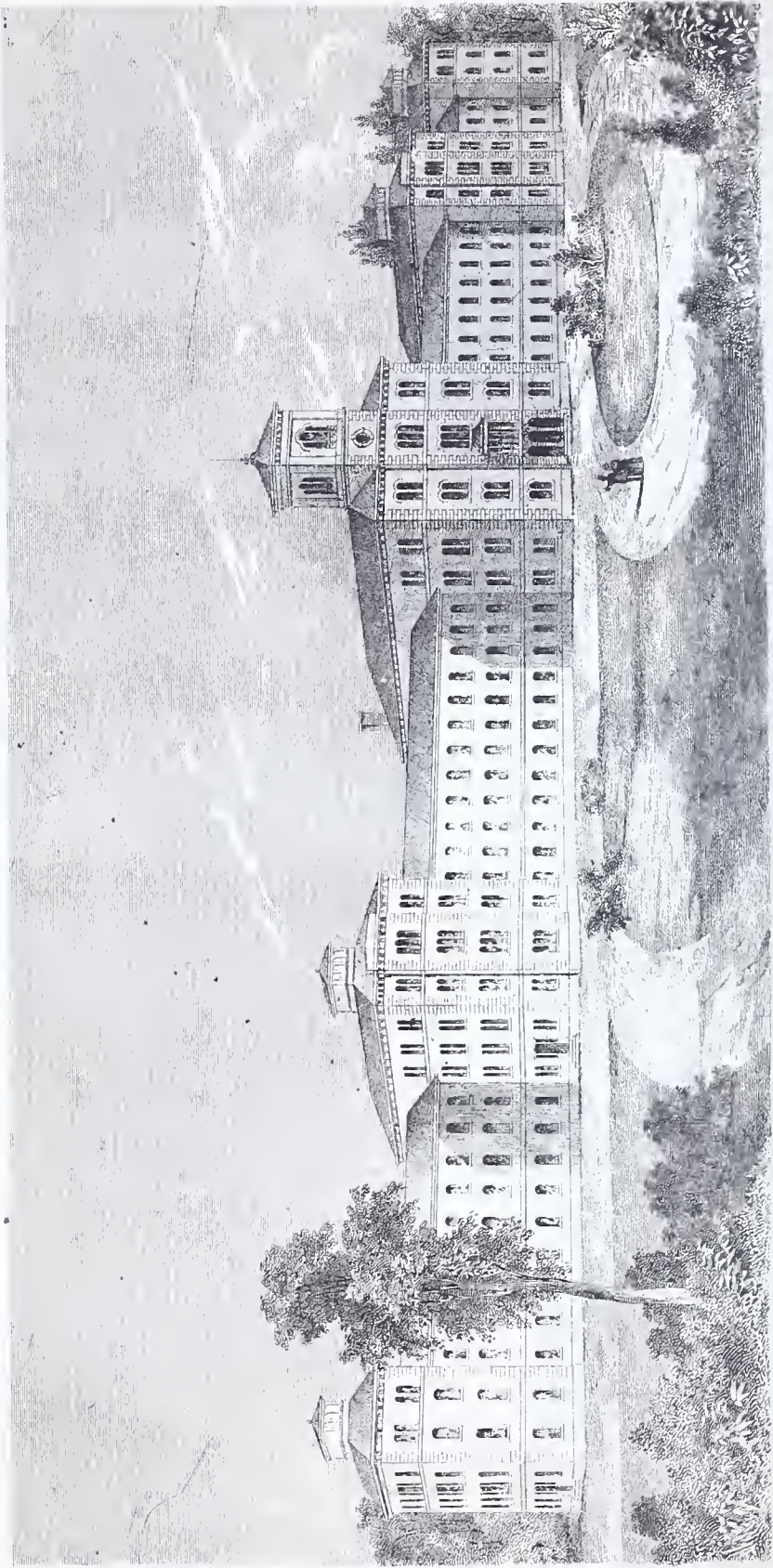


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## DIXMONT HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE

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- E. Attendants' Rooms  
 F. Pantries  
 G. Clothes Rooms  
 H. Hoists  
 I. Water Closets  
 II. Bath Rooms  
 III. Drying Rooms  
 IV. Slop Rooms

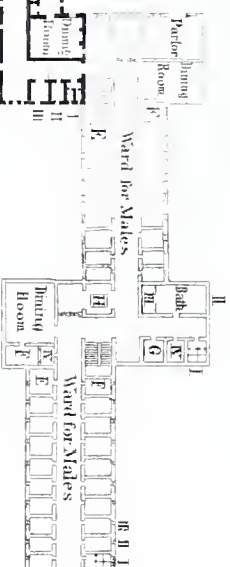


## GROUND PLAN

- A. Superintendent's Kitchen  
 B. Officers' Dining Room  
 C. Store Rooms  
 D. Bathrooms & Water Closets

Dark part, now building      Light part, future extensions

Black part — Completed  
 Light part — Now Building  
 White part — Future extensions





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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## MANAGERS

OF THE

# Western Pennsylvania Hospital

## For 1863.

PITTSBURGH:

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**Vice Presidents.**

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**Assistant Treasurer.**

JOHN A. HARPER.

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DR. JOHN REA.

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### Curator and Physician, Ninth Ward Hospital.

DR. JOHN REA.



# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MANAGERS

OF THE

## Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

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*To the Senate and House of Representatives  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:*

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, I beg leave to present a brief report of the last year's proceedings and present condition of the Institution, referring to the accompanying reports for more complete details.

There are now one hundred and thirty patients in the Hospital for the Insane at Dixmont. Two hundred and two have been under treatment during the year, and six hundred and ninety-five have been received into the Hospital since April 1st, 1846. For detailed statements of the sexes, ages, places of nativity, causes and duration of insanity, I beg to refer to the report of the Superintendent, Dr. J. A. REED.

The accounts of the last year have been accurately kept by the Assistant Treasurer, Mr. JNO. A. HARPER, under the supervision of his father, JNO. HARPER, Esq., and have been carefully audited by the Finance Committee, from whose report it appears that the balance in the Treasury amounts to thirty-five hundred and eighty-one dollars and twenty-three cents, of which three thousand dollars have been drawn from the State Treasury in part for the expense of constructing a residence on the grounds for the Superintendent: but from the high price of labor and building materials, the Board has postponed its commencement for the present. There is also on hand an unpaid bond for two hundred and fifty dollars.

A considerable amount is due and owing to the Hospital for board of inmates, chiefly for eriminal and pauper patients from the counties and Overseers of the Poor, in various distriets, which, however, is in proecess of eollection by the Solieitor of the Hospital, WM. BAKEWELL, Esq.

I regret to state that this amount, when eollected, will be seareely suffieient to pay the outstanding warrants and elaims against the Hospital for necessaries provided for the maintenanee of the patients, purchase of elothing and repairs of furniture.

The great increase in the prieee of provisions, elothing, fuel, &c.,—at least from 50 to 60 per cent.—has rendered the cost of supporting the inmates (notwithstanding the eare taken to avoid unnecessary expense) mueh larger than the sum which, by a provision of the Aet of 22d of April last (inserted without the knowledge of the Board), the Hospital is authorized to eharge for public patients.

According to the most eareful estimates, the aetual expense of keeping sueh patients is not less than four dollars ninety eents per week, exelusive of elothing; while by the provision in the Aet of 22d of April, the Hospital is entitled to eharge only two and a half dollars per week, including elothing, thus involving an absolute loss of at least two dollars and forty eents per week on eadh of sueh pauper or eriminal patients, making an aggregate loss of at least nine thousand dollars per annum, and thereby ineurring an amount of debt which ean only be paid by a grant from your Honorable Bodies of a sum suffieient to enable the Board to meet the defieieney, as the amount for appropriation for salaries, &c., undrawn from last year, will be required to pay off a loan obtained on private responsibility, from the Bank of Pittsburgh.

To prevent the oeeurrence of similar diffieulties in future, your Honorable Bodies are respectfully requested either to make sueh modification of the Aet of April 22d, 1863, as will enable the Board to eharge an amount for maintenance and elothing of the public patients eommensurate with the present or future advancee in the cost of the necessaries of life, but so restricted as not to exeeed the aetual cost of sueh maintenanee and elothing, or provide for the defieieney by speeial grant, as is done with regard to the Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane at Harrisburg.

In the month of August last the Hospital was visited by Messrs.

M'CANDLESS and STEIN, members of the Senate Committee, who were pleased with their visit, and to whose report I beg to refer for the result of their examination.

During the past year the Board has been deprived, by death, of two of its oldest members, Messrs. JOHN IRWIN and JOHN HERON, who were among the most respected of our fellow citizens.

The buildings at Dixmont are found to be in all respects suitable for their intended purpose, but already they are too crowded for the comfortable accommodation and advantageous treatment of the inmates. No addition has been made to the buildings during the year except the construction of an ice house and vegetable cellar, in the bank directly behind the Hospital.

I am sorry to say that the heating apparatus has not fully answered the expectations of the Board during the late severely cold weather, and will require considerable modification next summer, when it will also be necessary to replace the pump at the river by one of greater capacity.

The gas works are found to fully answer their intended purpose.

But little has been done toward the improvement of the grounds, except the work of the inmates, whose labor varies with their changing moods, and therefore cannot be much depended upon.

The farm is still under the care of Mr. THOS. CHESS, and has furnished a partial supply of vegetables and hay. The vineyard is gradually coming into order, and it is hoped that next year it will bear a plentiful crop.

The whole amount of private benefactions received during the year has been four hundred and thirty-two dollars and twenty cents.

The Hospital in the Ninth Ward of the city continues to be occupied by the authorities of the United States Government, as a Military Hospital. Since they entered upon it, they have constructed two frame buildings, one intended for a chapel, holding, if required, fifty beds, and have kept the premises in good repair. Dr. JOHN REA remains there as Curator, taking charge of the buildings and improvements.

I would respectfully urge upon your Honorable Bodies the importance of making provision for the further accommodation of this unfortunate class of our fellow citizens, and of continuing to extend to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital for the Insane at

Dixmont the liberality hitherto exercised toward that Institution. This becomes more important from the consideration that the crowded state of the Hospital, arising in great measure from the accumulation of incurable patients, prevents the reception of recent cases of insanity, reducing the Board to the painful alternative of either returning the old cases to their friends, or declining to admit such applicants as might, in many instances, by proper treatment, be restored to mental health and usefulness. As a further reason for the construction of such additional buildings as may be requisite for the reception of an increased number of patients, it may be observed, that the average cost of maintenance of the inmates would thereby be reduced, as several items of expense would be the same for many patients as for a smaller number.

The Board are convinced that the success attending the treatment of the patients and their happy immunity from accident, must be attributed, in a great measure, to the skill and attention of Dr. J. A. REED, whose labors have been shared by careful attendants.

Hoping that the labors of this Institution may be blessed by Providence to the restoration to perfect sanity of many of their suffering fellow citizens, I am,

Yours, very respectfully,

THOMAS BAKEWELL,

*President Western Pennsylvania Hospital.*

# REPORT

OF

## FINANCE COMMITTEE.

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*To the President and Directors*

*of the Western Pennsylvania Hospital: —*

THE undersigned, a Committee appointed to examine and audit the accounts of the Treasurer of said Institution, respectfully report:

That they have carefully examined the book accounts and vouchers of John Harper, Esq., Treasurer of said corporation, for and during the last year; that your Committee find said accounts to be correct, accurate and satisfactory; that the balance in the treasury in cash is \$3,331.23, and in a bond \$250—making the whole amount to \$3,581.23

The following statement shows the financial operations of the last year, together with the total receipts and expenditures of the Institution since its commencement.

### STATEMENT OF THE TREASURER

*Of the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, for year ending January 9th, 1864.*

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Balance per settlement, January 10th, 1863,.....	\$2,331 15
Appropriations from the State, viz.	
Drawn on account of salaries of officers, appropriation	
in full, 1862,.....	\$ 2,500 00
Drawn on account of same, appropriation in part, 1863, .....	4,250 00
Drawn on account of new Insane Hospital at Dixmont,	
appropriation in full, 1862,.....	7,500 00
Drawn on account of same, appropriation in part, 1863, .....	9,800 00
Drawn on account of erecting a building for Physician,	
appropriation in part, 1863,.....	3,000 00
	27,050 00
Amount carried out,.....	\$29,381 15



Amount brought up,.....	\$29,381 15
Individual benefactions,.....	432 20
Received from pay patients,.....	20,267 09
“ “ interest account,.....	28 50
Investment account: Allegheny County bond sold,.....	1,000 00
Bills payable: money borrowed from bank during the year,.....	15,000 00
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	\$66,108 94

## C O N T R A , C R .

Expenses: maintenace of Hospital, salaries, &c.....	\$31,651 03
Old Hospital buildings and improvements,.....	186 82
New Hospital at “Dixmont,” buildings and improvements,.....	20,584 86
Bills payable, paid during the year,.....	10,000 00
Interest paid,.....	105 00
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	\$62,527 71
Balancee in treasury,.....	3,581 23
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	\$66,108 94

The above balancee, consists of Birmingham Plank Road

Bond.....	\$ 250 00
Cash drawn from State treasury, being part of appropriation for erecting house at “Dixmont” for Physieian, not yet used, 3,000 00	
Other money,.....	331 23
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	\$3,581 23

## S T A T E M E N T

*Showing a General Account of the Finances of the Western Pennsylvania Hospital  
since its commencement to January 9th, 1864.*

## R E C E I P T S .

Donations from individnals in cash and bonds,.....	\$69,796 00
Appropriations of the Commonwealth at sundry times,....	\$ 46,250 00
For new Insane Hospital at “Dixmont,”.....	147,800 00
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	194,050 00
Interest and premium received.....	2,320 66
Received from pay patients.....	117,122 63
Bills payable: note due at Bank of Pittsburgh.....	5,000 00
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	\$388,289 29

## P A Y M E N T S .

Old Hospital buildings and improvements to January 10th, 1863,.....	\$ 62,444 59
Old Hospital buildings and improvements since that date,	186 82
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	62,631 41
Amount carried out,.....	\$62,631 41



Amount brought up,.....	\$62,631 41
Expenses, salaries, &c., to January 10th, 1863,.....	\$117,815 69
“ “ since that date,.....	31,651 03
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	149,466 72
Interest account paid for discount, &c.,.....	1,455 78
Paid Executor of J. B. Backhouse, for farm for Insane,...	\$7,000 00
Paid Admr's. of H. H. Ryan, in full for adjoining farm purchased,.....	7,878 50
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	14,878 50
Paid on account of new Hospital at “Dixmont” for Insane, and improvement of grounds to January 10th, 1863,....	\$135,650 79
Paid on account of “Dixmont” Hospital since that date,	20,584 86
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	156,235 65
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	\$384,668 00

## BILLS RECEIVABLE.

Note unpaid,.....	40 00
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## BALANCE IN TREASURY.

Birmingham Plank Road bond,.....	\$ 250 00
Cash on deposit in the “Bank of Pittsburgh,”.....	3,331 23
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	3,581 23
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	\$388,289 29
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JOHN HARPER,

*Treasurer Western Pennsylvania Hospital.*

Your Committee would further state, that part of the appropriation made by the State, in the act approved 14th April 1863, has been drawn on warrants of the Governor; there yet remains undrawn,

On account of salaries of officers, - - - - -	\$4,250 00
For completing “Dixmont” Hospital, - - - - -	9,800 00
For erecting building for Physician, - - - - -	3,000 00
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	\$17,050 00

Your Committee have not the means of ascertaining the amount still due to the contractors and workmen on the buildings and improvements of the “Dixmont” Hospital, as the facts have not come under their notice, being properly the business of the Building Committee. Owing to the high price of labor and materials, the house for the resident Physician has not yet been contracted for, and the appropriation remains untouched.

It is perfectly clear to your Committee, that the expenses of maintaining patients sent to our care by corporations, have been so

largely increased by the prices now paid for coal, provisions, furniture, and the cost of labor and living generally, that some additional charges must be made to meet the same. Your Committee have only the Treasurer's books and vouchers before them, and cannot report on the amounts due to the Institution, and the amount of its indebtedness. These will be shown by the exhibits of the Solicitor, Superintendent and Steward.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. F. JOHNSTON,  
W. S. HAVEN,  
JAMES MARSHALL,

*Auditing Committee.*

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA HOSPITAL,  
PITTSBURGH, Jan. 11th, 1864.

# REPORT

OF THE

## SUPERINTENDENT AND PHYSICIAN

OF THE

## INSANE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Board of Managers :*

GENTLEMEN—The following report of the operations of the Insane Department of the Western Pennsylvania Hospital for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-three, is respectfully submitted.

	Male.	Female.	Total.
Patients in the Hospital, January 1st, 1863.....	67	47	114
Received since, to January 1st, 1864.....	49	39	88
Under treatment during the year 1863.....	116	86	202
Discharged during the year, recovered.....	19	17	36
“ “ “ improved.....	13	8	21
“ “ “ unimproved.....	1	3	4
Died.....	8	3	11
Total discharged during the year.....	41	31	72
“ remaining January 1st, 1864.....	75	55	130
Total number received since April 1st, 1856.....	412	283	695
“ committed by order of Court.....	.....	.....	120
“ “ by Directors of Poor.....	.....	.....	174
“ “ by their friends.....	.....	.....	401
“ discharged recovered.....	175	101	276
“ “ improved.....	83	81	164
“ “ unimproved.....	31	27	58
“ died.....	48	19	67
Total number discharged and died.....	337	228	565
“ remaining January 1st, 1864.....	75	55	130
“ discharged and remaining.....	412	283	695

At the date of the last Annual Report there were in the Hospital one hundred and fourteen patients; since then eighty-eight have been admitted and seventy-two have been discharged, leaving in the Hospital at the close of the year, one hundred and thirty.

The total number under treatment during the year was two hundred and two, one hundred and sixteen males and eighty-six females.

The highest number at any one time was one hundred and thirty, and the average for the year was one hundred and nineteen, being eleven more than for the preceding year.

Of eighty-eight patients admitted, forty-nine were males and thirty-nine were females. Of these, forty-seven had been insane less than three months, twelve less than six months, six less than one year, and twenty-three for periods varying from one to thirty years.

Twenty were committed by order of the different Courts of the Western District of Pennsylvania, fifteen by the authorities having charge of the poor, and fifty-three as private patients by their friends.

Of those discharged during the year, forty-one were males and thirty-one were females.

Thirty-six were restored, twenty-one improved, four unimproved and eleven died.

Fourteen of those discharged as restored were under treatment less than three months, nine from three to six months, five from six to twelve months, and eight longer than one year.

Five of those discharged improved were under treatment less than three months, ten less than six months, four less than twelve months, and two for periods longer than one year.

One of those discharged unimproved was a resident of the Hospital less than three months, two less than one year, and one for a period longer than one year.

Of those who died, two were residents of the Hospital four days, one twelve days, three less than six months, one less than a year, and four for a period longer than one year. Three died of phthisis-pulmonalis, two of general paralysis, one of epilepsy, one of pneumonia, two of the exhaustion of acute mania, one of dropsy, and one committed suicide.

Of the one hundred and thirty patients now in the Hospital,

thirty have been insane less than one year, fifty-five from one to five years, and forty-five from five to thirty years.

January 1st, 1861, in 111 cases there were 35 recent ones.

January 1st, 1862, in 110 " " " 40 " "

January 1st, 1863, in 114 " " " 20 " "

January 1st, 1864, in 130 " " " 30 " "

At the present date, the proportion of recent or curable cases to chronic or incurable cases is as thirty to one hundred.

Six hundred and ninety-five patients have been admitted since April 1st, 1856, of whom one hundred and twenty were committed by the Courts of fourteen counties, one hundred and seventy-four by the Directors of the Poor of twelve counties, three hundred and eighty-three by their friends from seventeen counties of the Western Judicial District of Pennsylvania, and eighteen from other States.

Three hundred and seventy-five had been insane before admission not exceeding six months, and three hundred and twenty for periods varying from six months to thirty years.

Two hundred and seventy-six have been discharged restored, one hundred and sixty-four were improved, fifty-eight unimproved, sixty-seven have died, and one hundred and thirty remain in the Hospital.

Thirty-five of those discharged restored were committed by order of the Courts of the Western District, sixty by the Directors of the Poor, and one hundred and eight by their friends.

Two hundred and forty-two had been insane before admission less than one year, and thirty-four for periods longer than one and less than ten years.

Two hundred and forty were restored in less than one year, and thirty-six in less than three years.

Of those discharged improved, forty-five were residents of the Hospital not exceeding three months, forty-four not exceeding six months, and seventy-five from six months to five years.

Of those discharged unimproved, fifteen were under care less than three months, fourteen less than six months, twelve less than twelve months, and seventeen from one to five years.

Of those who died, thirty-eight were residents of the Hospital less than three months, eleven less than six months, six less than twelve months, and twelve from one to seven years.



At no period since the organization of the Insane Department of the Hospital have so many patients been under treatment. The wards, containing one hundred and eight rooms, are more than full; and while it is gratifying to witness this rapidly widening circle of usefulness, we are reminded of the fact that every additional patient hereafter will lessen the power to ameliorate and cure. If the Hospital is to secure and maintain a position as a *curative* one, it is absolutely necessary to avoid overcrowding, by increasing the accommodations in proportion to the demand. The casualties of the war, pecuniary reverses, the high mental excitements to which communities are liable, as well as many other causes, are combining to increase very largely the number of those needing hospital care and treatment. With the building already full, it becomes an important question, what disposition is to be made of those who apply for admission hereafter? Shall all be injured by overcrowding?—or shall the applicants, who perhaps have already passed through many trials, be thrown back to pass their day of cure in jails and poor houses?—or shall the building be extended, so that all may be received and share its benefits?

In considering the amount and kind of accommodations needed by the insane, a fact well worthy to be remembered, is that a large number of those requiring care are persons in moderate circumstances, or those whose daily exertions can only furnish subsistence for themselves and families. The heavy expenses incurred in defraying the cost of a protracted ailment, requiring special provision for its proper treatment, soon absorb their resources, and the friends are compelled to remove the patient from the Hospital or obtain relief by making their first confession of pauperism. This class of persons have not only been self-supporting, but by their labor have added to the wealth of the community and borne their share of the expenses of maintaining the poor. When, however, one of them is stricken with insanity, the friends discover that a previous life of industry and honorable discharge of public and private duties *will not* secure aid from the public authorities, *according to law*, without the patient is constituted a *pauper*; and whatever property may have been accumulated by years of labor, is confiscated for his support, while the family, none of whom may be a producer, are reduced to extreme want. Such is the charity of our law! On equitable grounds, certainly they have some claim for more consideration at the hands



of the Commonwealth than those who for a great part of their lives have not produced anything, but have been consuming that which they have not earned.

I allude to this matter, because I have frequently known of patients having been removed from the Hospital prematurely on account of their resources being exhausted, and of others who have been detained at home until the day of cure had passed, because their friends dreaded the day of increasing their expenses or of applying for relief to the public authorities.

In Ohio, Indiana and Wisconsin, all the insane are supported at the expense of the State. Maine pays one dollar a week for any one unable to pay his or her boarding and treatment. New Jersey provides that "when a person in indigent circumstances, not a pauper, becomes insane, and his estate is insufficient to support himself and family, (or if he has no family, himself,) under the visitation of insanity, he shall be admitted into the asylum, and be supported there at the expense of the county, until he shall be restored to soundness of mind, if effected within three years." Michigan requires "that all insane persons who have insufficient estate to support themselves and their families, under the visitation of insanity, shall be admitted to the hospital free of cost as to themselves, but their board is to be chargeable to the counties." New York provides "that whenever a person in indigent circumstances, not a pauper, shall become insane, and his estate is insufficient to support him and his family, or himself, if he has no family, then the first judge of the county shall investigate the case, and the patient shall be supported in the hospital, at the expense of the county, until he shall be restored to soundness of mind, if effected in two years, in order," says this humane law, "that he may be restored to his family and his estate unimpaired."

The Act regulating the commitment of indigent persons to this Hospital, provides "that in all such cases the county so chargeable shall have remedy over against the proper township, city or poor district, when, by existing laws, such township, city or poor district is liable for the support of such insane person, or *against the property of such insane person*, or against any relative required by law to maintain him or her; and the overseers or guardians of the poor of any such township, city or poor district, shall also have

remedy over *against the property of such insane person*, or against any relative required by law to support or maintain him or her."

Your attention is called to this provision in the law, in the hope that some modification of it may be brought about, that will lessen the burden of expense on a numerous and worthy class of citizens.

From the following statistical tables, all necessary information can be had in regard to age, sex, civil condition, duration of insanity of patients, and by what authorities they were committed.

## STATISTICAL TABLES.

TABLE I.

*Showing the ages at the time of admission of those received during 1863, and of all previous to January 1st, 1864.*

AGES.	1863.			1856-7-8-9-60-1-2-3.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Between 10 and 20 years.....	2	4	6	29	26	55
" 20 and 30 " .....	19	6	25	133	80	213
" 30 and 40 " .....	8	11	19	106	89	195
" 40 and 50 " .....	6	9	15	68	44	112
" 50 and 60 " .....	8	2	10	54	22	76
" 60 and 70 " .....	5	5	10	18	19	37
" 70 and 80 " .....	1	2	3	4	3	7
Total.....	49	39	88	412	283	695

TABLE II.

*Showing the civil condition of 695 patients.*

CIVIL CONDITION.	1863.			1856-7-8-9-60-1-2-3.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Single,.....	25	13	38	219	109	328
Married,.....	19	15	34	171	125	296
Widows,.....	...	11	11	.....	49	49
Widowers,.....	5	...	5	22	.....	22
Total,.....	49	39	88	412	283	695

TABLE III.

*Showing the form of insanity for which 695 patients were admitted.*

FORM OF INSANITY.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Mania.....	215	144	359
Melancholia.....	114	99	213
Monomania.....	38	22	60
Dementia.....	25	14	39
General Paralysis.....	9	1	10
Imbecility.....	11	3	14
Total.....	412	283	695

TABLE IV.

*Showing the supposed cause of insanity in 695 cases.*

CAUSE.	Male.	Fem.	Total.	CAUSE.	Male.	Fem.	Total.
Ill Health.....	64	67	131	Nostalgia.....	1	2	3
Intemperance.....	61	15	76	Use of Tobacco.....	2	2	4
Excess of Labor.....	9	...	9	Want of Employment...	4	...	4
Disappointment.....	13	20	33	Masturbation.....	42	...	42
Epilepsy.....	18	6	24	Loss of Friends.....	6	14	20
Religious Excitement....	13	8	21	Dread of Poverty.....	5	1	6
Puerperal.....	...	32	32	Dyspepsia.....	12	...	12
Use of Opium.....	2	1	3	Jealousy.....	3	6	9
Loss of Sleep.....	2	3	5	Fear of Starving.....	1	...	1
Inflammation of Brain...	7	...	7	Destitution.....	...	4	4
Use of Quack Medicines.	1	1	2	Fever.....	6	3	9
Excessive Study.....	4	...	4	Amenorrhea.....	...	10	10
Spiritualism.....	2	1	3	Excitement.....	...	2	2
Mental Anxiety.....	5	4	9	Eruptive Diseases.....	2	1	3
Domestic Difficulties.....	9	29	38	Fear.....	4	7	11
Stock Speculations.....	1	...	1	War Excitement.....	11	2	13
Pecuniary Difficulties...	29	1	30	Neuralgia.....	1	...	1
Palsy.....	3	1	4	Old Age.....	1	1	2
Injuries of the Head.....	5	...	5	Unknown.....	56	39	95
Litigation.....	2	...	2				
Exposure to the Sun.....	5	...	5	Total.....	412	283	695

TABLE V.

*Showing the duration of insanity before admission, of patients admitted since April 1, 1856.*

DURATION.	1863.			1856-7-8-9-60-1-2-3.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Not exceeding three months,.....	26	21	47	169	116	285
Between 3 and 6 months,.....	6	6	12	57	33	90
“ 6 months and 1 year,.....	4	2	6	54	31	85
“ 1 and 2 years,.....	4	1	5	30	27	57
“ 2 and 3 “ .....	1	3	4	21	15	36
“ 3 and 4 “ .....	3	3	6	16	11	27
“ 4 and 5 “ .....	1	1	2	14	6	20
“ 5 and 10 “ .....	1	2	3	27	23	50
“ 10 and 15 “ .....	...	...	...	13	12	25
“ 15 and 20 “ .....	3	...	3	10	8	18
“ 20 and 30 “ .....	...	...	...	1	1	2
Total, .....	49	39	88	412	283	695

TABLE VI.

*Showing the duration of insanity in 130 cases (in the Hospital January 1st, 1864,) at present time.*

DURATION.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Not exceeding 3 months.....	3	2	5
Between 3 and 6 months.....	7	4	11
“ 6 months and 1 year.....	6	8	14
“ 1 and 2 years.....	10	5	15
“ 2 and 3 “ .....	8	4	12
“ 3 and 4 “ .....	6	6	12
“ 4 and 5 “ .....	9	7	16
“ 5 and 10 “ .....	11	8	19
“ 10 and 15 “ .....	6	6	12
“ 15 and 20 “ .....	9	5	14
Total .....	75	55	130

TABLE VII.

*Showing the duration of insanity before admission, and the power committing, in 276 cases discharged recovered.*

DURATION OF INSANITY.	Before Admission.	By Court.	By Directors of Poor.	By Friends.
Not exceeding 2 months .....	139	9	27	103
Between 2 and 4 " .....	51	10	15	26
" 4 and 6 " .....	20	3	5	12
" 6 months and 1 year.....	32	4	12	16
" 1 and 2 years.....	6	3	...	13
" 2 and 3 " .....	1	1	...	...
" 3 and 4 " .....	8	3	...	5
" 4 and 10 " .....	9	2	1	6
Total.....	276	35	60	181

TABLE VIII.

*Showing the period of residence in the Hospital of 565 patients discharged since April 1st, 1856.*

PERIOD OF RESIDENCE.	Restored	Improved.	Unimproved.	Died.
One month and less.....	28	8	6	22
Between 1 and 2 months.....	43	10	4	9
" 2 and 3 " .....	51	27	5	7
" 3 and 4 " .....	34	24	7	5
" 4 and 5 " .....	18	9	4	4
" 5 and 6 " .....	25	11	3	2
" 6 and 9 " .....	20	23	6	2
" 9 and 12 " .....	21	15	6	4
" 12 and 15 " .....	16	11	4	3
" 15 and 18 " .....	5	3	3	...
" 18 and 24 " .....	8	8	2	1
" 24 and 36 " .....	6	9	3	4
" 36 and 48 " .....	1	5	5	2
" 48 and 60 " .....	...	1	...	2
Total.....	276	164	58	67

TABLE IX.

*Showing the occupations of 695 patients.*

MALES.	MALES.	MALES.
Farmers .....129	Dentists ..... 2	Organ Builder..... 1
Laborers..... 69	Bricklayer ..... 1	Ministers ..... 2
Auctioneer..... 1	Boatmen..... 14	Druggists..... 2
Engineers ..... 2	Clerks..... 12	Musicians..... 2
Tinners ..... 5	Merchants..... 10	Locksmiths ..... 2
Baker ..... 1	Gardeners..... 5	Tailors ..... 9
Blacksmiths..... 9	Lawyers..... 3	Physicians..... 4
Pattern Maker..... 1	Cloth Dresser..... 1	Machinists..... 5
Saddlers..... 2	Tobacconists ..... 3	Glass Blower..... 1
Painters ..... 3	Students ..... 9	Peddlers..... 3
Potters ..... 3	Stone Masons..... 2	Butchers ..... 4
Brewer ..... 1	Lumberman..... 1	Drover..... 1
Horse Trainer..... 1	Hatter..... 1	Miller ..... 1
Horse Dealer..... 1	Cabinet Makers..... 2	Inn Keepers..... 3
Carpenters..... 11	Moulders ..... 5	Barber..... 1
Draymen..... 3	Miners..... 11	Soldiers ..... 5
Teachers..... 7	Shoemakers ..... 9	No occupation..... 22
Alderman ..... 1	Carver..... 1	
Police Officer..... 1	Printer..... 1	412
FEMALES.	FEMALES.	FEMALES.
Domestics .....38	Wives Shoemakers.. 4	Wives Tinner..... 1
Seamstresses.....20	“ Collectors.... 4	“ Drover..... 1
Nurses..... 3	“ Physicians ... 3	“ Blacksmith .... 1
Milliners ..... 4	“ Miller..... 1	“ Tanner..... 1
Houskeepers..... 5	“ Plumbers .... 3	“ Grocer..... 1
Teacher..... 1	“ Ministers ..... 3	“ Gardeners ..... 2
Confectioner..... 1	“ Moulders ..... 2	“ Inn Keepers.... 3
Laundress..... 1	“ Tailors..... 2	“ Engineers..... 2
Daughters Farmers....21	“ Confectioners 3	Widows Farmers.....11
“ Teachers... 7	“ Merchants ... 2	“ Laborers.....17
“ Laborers... 4	“ Machinists... 2	“ Minister ..... 1
“ Carpenter.. 1	“ Butcher..... 1	“ Tobacconist.. 1
“ Moulders... 2	“ Bricklayer.... 1	“ Miners..... 2
“ Butchers... 2	“ Peddler..... 1	“ Grocer..... 1
“ Grocer..... 1	“ Glass Blowers 2	“ Printers .... 2
“ Lawyer..... 1	“ Clerk..... 1	“ Jeweler..... 1
“ Soldier .... 1	“ Teacher..... 1	“ Inn Keepers.. 4
Wives Farmers.....42	“ Painters ..... 2	“ Saddlers..... 3
“ Laborers.....15	“ Soldiers..... 4	“ Baker.....
“ Carpenters..... 7	“ Coach Maker 1	
“ Miners ..... 5	“ Saddler..... 1	283



TABLE X.

*Showing the number of admissions during the last and previous years from each District, and how committed.*

DISTRICTS.	1863.			Previously.			Total.
	By Court.	By Directors of Poor.	By Friends.	By Court.	By Directors of Poor.	By Friends.	
Allegheny City.....	...	1	...	4	7	51	63
Allegheny County.....	6	9	9	48	55	54	181
Armstrong ".....	...	...	...	1	3	4	8
Beaver ".....	...	2	4	2	19	31	58
Butler ".....	1	...	3	8	1	8	21
Crawford ".....	4	...	...	5	4	7	20
Cambria ".....	...	...	2	...	...	2	4
Clarion ".....	3	...	2	...	...	1	6
Erie ".....	2	...	...	7	1	8	18
Fayette ".....	...	...	3	7	3	16	29
Greene ".....	...	...	...	...	4	5	9
Indiana ".....	...	1	4	3	2	15	25
Lawrence ".....	2	...	1	2	6	8	19
Mercer ".....	...	...	...	1	...	6	7
M'Kean ".....	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Venango ".....	...	...	...	1	...	1	2
Washington ".....	1	...	10	6	3	27	47
Warren ".....	...	...	...	1	...	1	2
Westmoreland ".....	1	...	3	...	1	7	12
Pittsburgh.....	...	2	11	3	50	79	145
State of Ohio.....	...	...	1	...	...	2	3
" Virginia.....	...	...	...	...	...	7	7
" Iowa.....	...	...	...	...	...	8	8
Total.....	20	15	53	100	159	348	695

During the year the health of the household has been good, no epidemic has visited us, and the deaths have been as few as could reasonably be expected.

The patients were, so far as practicable, employed in various useful ways, and amusements and entertainments were devised to relieve the monotony of hospital life, and to divert their minds from their morbid trains of thought. The magic lantern, billiard and bagatelle tables, concerts, charades and dancing parties, were brought into requisition, and have not been without good results.

The female patients in their seclusion have not forgotten their duty to their country, and have contributed a portion of their labor for the benefit of our soldiers, resulting in the manufacture of 491

garments, the material for which was furnished by the Pittsburgh Sanitary Committee.

Religious services have not been as regular as would be desirable, on account of those ministers who are within reach having been closely engaged elsewhere. Yet when it was possible, we have been favored with sermons from Rev. Drs. M'Kinney and Williams, and Revs. Allison and Workman, to whom we make, in behalf of the household, this acknowledgment of thanks.

The institution is indebted to the following persons and societies for donations of articles of ornament and utility, as well as volumes for our library: American Tract Society, Ladies' Episcopal Prayer Book Society, Mrs. Andrew Loomis, Mrs. Isaac Jones, Mrs. John Harper, Mrs. Dr. Muller, Prof. A. D. Baehe, Hon. J. K. Moorhead, Hon. Robert M'Knight, Geo. P. Smith, Esq., James T. Sample, Esq., Jacob Yocum, Esq., T. L. Shields & Co.; Thomas Chess, J. W. Kerr, and Wm. Mussler, each \$10, and F. Linke, \$5, to purchase slides for magic lantern, and to Andrew Fulton, Esq., for a large bell. We are also indebted to Prof. Sherratt, to Prof. Slaek, and to the Campbell Minstrels, and to many ladies and gentlemen from the city and Sewickley, for musical entertainments, charades and tableaux.

We have received gratuitous copies of the following newspapers, and hope the favors will be continued: Gazette, Dispatch, Pittsburgh; Observer, Erie; Argus, Beaver; Journal, Meadville; Armstrong Democrat; Zeitschrift, Allentown; Presbyterian Banner and Advocate, Christian Advocate, United Presbyterian, Republicaner and Catholic.

In conclusion, we wish to extend our thanks to the Board of Managers, to the officers and attendants of the Hospital, for the aid and encouragement they have afforded us in our labors, nor can we forget many friends beyond the walls, to whose kindly sympathies and personal assistance we, as well as the patients, owe more than we can repay. Thanks to them—thanks, especially, to the Giver of all good.

Very respectfully, yours,

J. A. REED.

# ACTS OF ASSEMBLY

RELATIVE TO THE

## Western Pennsylvania Hospital,

AND

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# AN ACT

## TO INCORPORATE THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA HOSPITAL.

WHEREAS, a number of the citizens of this Commonwealth, actuated by a sense of religious duty, and the benevolent disposition to extend aid, comfort and relief to indigent and afflicted humanity, have made large voluntary contributions, in money and real estate, with the view to the foundation and endowment of a public hospital, to be appropriated for the reception and care of the insane and afflicted, as well as the sick, helpless and infirm, and the contributors having formed themselves into an association for the above object, have now, by the petition of their board of managers to the Senate and House of Representatives, prayed for the passage of an act of incorporation—Therefore,

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the present managers, elected by the contributors, together with their President, Vice Presidents, and other members and contributors to the above mentioned charitable association, be and they are hereby made and constituted a body politic and corporate, in law and fact, under the name, style and title of "*The Western Pennsylvania Hospital,*" and shall have and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges, incident by law to a corporation, for the purpose of establishing, maintaining and managing an hospital for the reception and care of the insane and afflicted, as well as the sick, infirm and helpless.

SEC. 2. That the control, government, management and domestic economy of the said institution, and of the business and concerns of the Hospital, shall be vested in a board of twenty-one managers (eleven of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business), who shall be elected at the first annual election under this Act, on the third Tuesday of April next; one-third of whom shall be for one year, one-third for two years, and one-third for three years; and at their first meeting thereafter, the said board shall elect from their own number, a President, a first Vice President, and a second Vice President; and at all subsequent annual elections on the third Tuesday of April, seven managers shall be elected by the contributors to serve for the three succeeding years, and no manager shall be ineligible to re-election; to which number shall be added those contributors who may acquire a right to

become members of the board of managers, agreeably to the provisions contained in the next succeeding section; and if an election shall not be held in any year at the time hereinbefore appointed, the corporation shall not for that cause be dissolved, but an election shall be held as soon afterward as may be, such notice being given as shall be required by the rules and by-laws of the institution; and until such election, the officers and managers in place shall continue to act and conduct the business and affairs of the institution; and in cases of any vacancy in the board of managers, by death, resignation, removal from the State, or repeated omission to attend their meetings, the managers shall have the power to fill such vacancy by the nomination of another contributor, until the next annual election. No person but a contributor shall be elected a manager.

SEC. 3. That any contributor who has already, or who shall hereafter subscribe the sum of one thousand dollars as a single benefaction, or who has already subscribed a less sum, and shall increase the same to one thousand dollars, or who shall hereafter subscribe a less sum, and subsequently increase the same to one thousand dollars, on payment of the same into the treasury, shall be entitled to become a manager for life, and shall have the right to nominate and send in one patient to the hospital: *Provided*, The person so nominated shall be of the condition, and fall within and comply with the rules that may be established for the government of the institution; and the same privileges and rights shall be conferred on any person who shall subscribe and secure the payment of one hundred dollars per annum for life, or for the period of fifteen years.

SEC. 4. That the said corporation shall have power and authority to adopt and use a common seal, and to alter the same at pleasure, and under the aforesaid name, style and title of "The Western Pennsylvania Hospital," may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all courts of record and elsewhere; may purchase, acquire, receive, take donations of (by will or otherwise), hold and enjoy real, personal and mixed estate of any kind whatsoever, and may sell, convey, lease and encumber the same for the use, objects and benefit of the said institution. They shall, also, by their board of managers, have power to contract for, and to erect all necessary buildings, and to make all the accommodations, arrangements and conveniences requisite for the reception and care of patients; to make and declare a code of by-laws for the government of the board of managers, of the patients, and of all the officers and persons appointed and employed in and about the hospital; and they shall have power to appoint and to prescribe the functions and duties, and to compensate and remove at pleasure, from their employment, all the officers and attendants deemed necessary for the proper order, discipline, arrangements and management of the hospital.



The said managers shall have the general control, government and management of the business concerns and economy of the hospital, shall prescribe the kind and character of patients, and the terms and conditions upon which they shall be admitted into the hospital or removed and discharged therefrom: *Provided*, That no person shall be admitted having any contagious or infectious disease. They shall have power, also, by code of by-laws, to appoint and give public notice of the time and place for holding general meetings and elections by contributors, to constitute committees, and appoint visitors of inspection and superintendence to the hospital, to control its finances, to order the payment, by installments or otherwise, of the subscriptions made by the contributors, and to appoint and compensate, if they shall think proper, a secretary and treasurer, to prescribe their respective duties, and to oblige the latter to give bond, with one or more sureties, for the faithful discharge of his official duties: *Provided*, That the said by-laws and ordinances shall not be inconsistent with the Constitution of the United States, and of this State.

SEC. 5. That no member of the board of managers shall receive any pay or compensation whatsoever for attendance or discharge of his official duties as a manager; and all persons contributing twenty-five dollars shall be members of this corporation, and entitled to vote for the members of the board of managers, or at any general meeting of the contributors, and shall be eligible to be elected to the management of its concerns.

SEC. 6. That at all the elections for managers, the votes shall be by ballot, and each member of the corporation shall be entitled to one vote only, and the person voted for having the highest number of votes shall be declared elected, and a written return of each election shall be certified and given to the board of managers and entered on their minutes.

SEC. 7. That those persons whose condition and diseases render them the proper objects of the charity or care of the said hospital, may be received from any part of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, without preference or partiality; but in cases of serious accidental wounds, provided they occur within the said commonwealth, the residence of the party shall be no objection to admission and surgical aid; and in deciding upon the admission of patients, there shall be no discrimination as to religious denominations, and clergymen shall always have access to patients of their own religious persuasion, subject to the general by-laws in reference to the admission of visitors.

SEC. 8. Whereas, experience and the present general impressions seem to indicate that it would be more expedient and conducive to humanity, and the benevolent objects in view, to keep separate and distinct the insane patients from the other classes of the afflicted: Be it, therefore, enacted, that the board of managers of

the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, if they shall hereafter deem it more expedient and humane, shall have power to make the separation and erect distinct establishments for the said two classes of patients: *Provided*, That the same shall be approved and sanctioned by the contributors to the institution, at a general meeting to be convened at Pittsburgh, upon a reasonable and public notice to be given by the board of managers.

SEC. 9. That the estate and property of the said hospital shall be exempt from taxation, so long as the same shall be used, conducted and employed as a public hospital or asylum for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned; nor shall the ground of the said hospital be subject or liable to have any public road, street, lane or alley laid out or opened through it as long as the same shall be used and employed for the purposes aforesaid.

SEC. 10. That the Act of Assembly entitled "An Act to incorporate the Western Pennsylvania Hospital Society and the Pittsburgh Board of Trade," passed the third day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, be, and the same is hereby repealed, so far as relates to the said hospital society, and all other acts relative to a Western Pennsylvania Hospital, be, and they are hereby repealed.

APPROVED, March 18, 1848.

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## A SUPPLEMENT

To the Act incorporating the Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

SEC. 11. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That the Governor, judges of the several courts of record of the commonwealth, and the members of the Legislature, shall be ex-officio visitors of the institution.

APPROVED, May 8, 1855.

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## A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT

To the Act incorporating the Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That the Governor of this Commonwealth shall have power to appoint, annually, three persons, citizens of Pennsylvania, to serve as managers

for one year, of the said Western Pennsylvania Hospital; and further, that the said board of managers shall make and return annually, in the month of January, to the Legislature of the State, a full and complete statement, certified by the president and treasurer, of the affairs and condition of said hospital.

APPROVED, March 19, 1856.

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## A N A C T

Providing for cases of Insane Convicts confined in the Western State Penitentiary.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That when there shall be reasonable cause to believe, by the physician of the Western State Penitentiary, that any convict confined therein is insane, he shall forthwith communicate the same to the proper warden and board of inspectors, whose duty it shall be forthwith to examine and inquire into the mental condition of such convict, and if thereupon the board of inspectors shall deem it proper and advisable, they shall direct the proper physician of the said Western Penitentiary, in which such convict is confined, to call to his aid the physician of the insane department of the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, and another competent person learned in medical jurisprudence; and if upon examination and consultation upon the mental condition of said convict, they or a majority of them, shall be satisfied that he, the said convict, is insane, they shall certify and report in writing their opinion to the board of inspectors, and thereupon, if the said inspectors shall approve the report of the said physicians, they shall transmit the same to the Governor, and if by him also approved, he shall direct that said insane prisoner shall be by said inspectors removed to the State Lunatic Hospital, or to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, there to be received, safely kept and properly provided for at the cost of and charge of the county from which he was sent to the penitentiary; and if at any time during the period for which any such insane prisoner shall have been sentenced to confinement in the said penitentiary, he shall, in the opinion of the board of managers of the Hospital to which he may have been removed, be so far restored as to render his return to said penitentiary safe and proper, then the said board of managers shall cause the said prisoner to be returned to said penitentiary; and due notice of all such removals or transfers shall be given by them to the clerk of the court of the proper county in which such prisoner was sentenced and from which he was sent to the said penitentiary.

APPROVED, March 24, 1858.

## A N A C T

To consolidate, revise and amend the laws of this Commonwealth relating to penal proceedings and pleadings.

## TITLE VI.

SEC. 66. In every case in which it shall be given in evidence, upon the trial of any person charged with any crime or misdemeanor, that such person was insane at the time of the commission of such offense, and he shall be acquitted, the jury shall be required to find specially whether such person was insane at the time of the commission of such offense, and to declare whether he was acquitted by them on the ground of such insanity; and if they shall so find and declare, the court before whom the trial is had shall have power to order him to be kept in strict custody in such place and in such manner as to the said court shall seem fit, at the expense of the county in which the trial is had, so long as such person shall continue to be of unsound mind.

SEC. 67. The same proceedings may be had, if any person indicted for an offense shall, upon arraignment, be found to be a lunatic by a jury lawfully impaneled for the purpose; or if, upon the trial of any person so indicted, such person shall appear to the jury, charged with such indictment, to be a lunatic, the court shall direct such finding to be recorded, and may proceed as aforesaid.

SEC. 68. In every case in which any person charged with any offense shall be brought before the court to be discharged for want of prosecution, and shall, by the oath or affirmation of one or more credible persons, appear to be insane, the court shall order the district attorney to send before the grand jury a written allegation of such insanity. in the nature of a bill of indictment; and thereupon the said grand jury shall make inquiry into the case, as in cases of crimes, and make presentment of their finding to said court thereon; and thereupon the court shall order a jury to be impaneled to try the insanity of such person; but before a trial thereof be ordered, the court shall direct notice thereof to be given to the next of kin of such person, by publication or otherwise, as the case requires, and if the jury shall find such person to be insane, the like proceeding may be had as aforesaid.

SEC. 69. If the kindred or friends of any person who may have been acquitted as aforesaid on the ground of insanity, or in default of such, the guardians, overseers or supervisors of any county, township or place, shall give security in such amount as shall be satisfactory to the court, with condition that such lunatic shall be restrained from the commission of any offense, by seclusion or otherwise, it shall be lawful for the court to make an order for the enlargement of such lunatic, and his delivery to his kindred or friends, or, as the case may be, to such guardians, overseers or supervisors.



SEC. 70. The estate and effects of every such lunatic shall, in all cases, be liable to the county for the reimbursement of all costs and expenses paid by such county in pursuance of such order; but if any person acquitted on the ground of insanity, shall have no estate or effects, the county, township or place to which such lunatic may be chargeable, under the laws of this Commonwealth relating to the support and employment of the poor, shall, after notice of his detention aforesaid, be liable for all costs and expenses as aforesaid, in like manner as if he had become a charge upon any township not liable for his support under the laws aforesaid.

APPROVED, March 31, 1860.

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## AN ACT

Supplementary to an Act incorporating the Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That if any person shall apply by petition to any court of record of any of the counties of this Commonwealth, hereinafter named in the eighteenth section of this act, having jurisdiction of offenses punishable by imprisonment for the term of ninety days or longer, for the commitment to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital of any insane person within the county in which said court has jurisdiction, it shall be the duty of such court to inquire into the fact of insanity in a summary way, after giving notice to the alleged lunatic or insane person, or to his or her friends or kindred, or some of them, or by awarding an inquest for that purpose, at the option of the court; and if it shall appear to the satisfaction of said court, or if it shall be found by such inquest, that such person is lunatic or insane, and by reason of such insanity is unsafe to be at large, or that he or she is suffering any unnecessary duress or hardship, such court shall either commit such lunatic or insane person to the said hospital, or if the court shall believe such insane person to be incurable, they may cause them to be confined elsewhere: *Provided,* That in all such cases the court shall inquire and ascertain whether the estate of such insane person is sufficient to pay, for the care, medical attendance and maintenance of such person, such charges as the board of managers of said hospital may make for pay patients, or whether the friends or relatives of such insane person are able or willing to make provision for the payment thereof; and if not, then it shall be the duty of said court to declare such insane person to be in indigent circumstances, and said court shall thereupon certify to the managers, or to the solicitor of said hospital, the legal settlement of such insane person, if he or she have any legal settle-

ment in this Commonwealth, and if he or she have no legal settlement, then to certify the place of residence of such insane person, which place shall then be held to be his or her place of settlement; and shall cause notice thereof to be given, by the sheriff of the county wherein such court is held, to the commissioners of the county to be charged with the expenses of such insane person, and to the constituted authorities, having charge of the poor in the poor district in such county to which such insane person belongs as aforesaid; and the county wherein such indigent insane person had his or her place of settlement or residence shall be liable to said hospital for the expenses of the care, medical attendance and maintenance and removal to and from said hospital, and in case of death, of the funeral expenses of such insane person or persons, with remedy over against the proper poor district, as hereinafter provided: *Provided, further,* That the amount to be charged for the support of such indigent person shall not exceed the sum of two dollars and fifty cents per week during the time they shall remain in such institution.

SEC. 2. That until the Legislature shall otherwise provide for the care of insane criminals, the several courts of this Commonwealth having jurisdiction in the counties mentioned in the eighteenth section of this act, respectively, shall, where any person charged with any offense or crime punishable by imprisonment or death may have been found, in the manner provided by law, to have been insane at the time when the offense was committed, and who still continues to be insane, and in all cases mentioned in the sixty-sixth, sixty-seventh and sixty-eighth sections of the act of thirty-first of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, relative to criminal procedure, have the power to commit to said hospital any such insane person or persons, for so long a time as such person or persons continue to be of unsound mind, at the expense of the county where such trial or proceedings are had and from which such insane person or persons was or were committed: *Provided,* That no person shall hereafter be committed to said hospital, under the provisions of this section, or of the sixty-sixth, sixty-seventh or sixty-eighth sections of said act of thirty-first of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, or any other law of this Commonwealth, who shall have been charged with homicide, arson, rape, robbery or burglary, or who shall have attempted or endeavored to commit any of said offenses, and who shall have been found to be insane in the manner provided by law, unless, on full examination, the jury shall find by their verdict that there is reason to believe that a cure of such insanity may be speedily effected by sending such person to a lunatic hospital.

SEC. 3. That the commissioners of the several counties hereinafter named shall have power to send to said hospital any indigent insane persons under their care, or confined in the jail of their re-



spective counties, and not awaiting trial for any offense or crime punishable with imprisonment or death: *Provided*, The physician of the said hospital shall deem them proper subjects for treatment in said hospital; the county, on sending any insane person or persons, to be liable to pay to said hospital all expenses of the care, medical attendance, maintenance, removal to and from the hospital, and in case of death, the funeral expenses of such persons; and the several constituted authorities having charge of the poor in the respective counties, cities, townships and poor districts in the counties hereinafter named, shall have like power to send to said hospital such indigent insane persons under their charge as they may deem proper subjects; and the counties wherein such poor districts are situate shall be severally liable to pay the expenses of the care, medical attendance, maintenance, not exceeding two dollars and fifty cents per week, removal to and from the hospital, and in case of death, the funeral expenses of such paupers, with remedy over against the proper poor district, as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 4. That the provisions of the first section of the act of twenty-fourth March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, relative to the transfer of insane convicts from the Western State Penitentiary to the said hospital, shall continue in full force as if here re-enacted: *Provided*, That a duplicate original of the certificate and report, with the approval of the Governor thereon, shall be furnished to the solicitor of said hospital, when any such insane convicts are removed to said hospital.

SEC. 5. That it shall be lawful, in case any person shall apply to any court of record within this Commonwealth, within any of the counties, hereinafter named, having jurisdiction of offenses punishable by imprisonment for a term of ninety days or longer, or to a judge thereof, for the commitment to said hospital of any person alleged to be temporarily insane by reason of the intemperate use of intoxicating drinks, for such court, or a judge thereof, to inquire summarily into the facts of the case; first, however, giving notice to the party so alleged to be temporarily insane; and if such court, or a judge thereof, deem it expedient so to do, to commit such person to said hospital until such temporary fit of insanity shall be cured: *Provided*, That such applicant or petitioner, or the friends or relatives of such inebriate, shall first give sufficient security, to be approved by such court or judge, conditioned for the payment of all expenses of such proceedings, of the care, medical attendance, maintenance, removal to and from the hospital, and in case of death, of the funeral expenses of such inebriate, and further conditioned to indemnify said hospital for all expenses of any proceedings under any writ of habeas corpus which may be awarded for the purpose of removing or liberating such inebriate from the custody of said hospital.

SEC. 6. That in every case where a lunatic or insane person has

been or shall be committed to said hospital, under the provisions of the second section of this act, or of the sixty-sixth, sixty-seventh or sixty-eighth sections of the act of thirty-first of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, referred to in said second section of this act, and in all cases where any insane person has been or shall be removed, or sent to said hospital, from the Western State Penitentiary, or from any jail or prison in this Commonwealth, in the manner hereinbefore provided, or by virtue of any law of this Commonwealth, it shall be lawful for the managers of said hospital, or a quorum thereof, with the aid of the principal physician of the insane department of said hospital, carefully to inquire into the case of such lunatic, and if a majority of such quorum of the board of managers, including the physician, shall be satisfied that there is no reasonable prospect of a cure of the insanity being effected by a retention of such insane person in said hospital, they may, at the expense of the proper city or county, as the case may be, cause him or her to be sent to the jail or prison of the proper county, or to the penitentiary from which such insane person was sent.

SEC. 7. That in case of any indigent insane person, not included in the provisions of the preceding section of this act, the expense of whose care and maintenance shall by law be chargeable to any county, city, or poor district of this Commonwealth, and who shall be an inmate of said hospital, where a quorum of the board of managers of said hospital, including the physician of the insane department, shall be satisfied that there is no reasonable prospect of a cure being effected by a retention of such insane person in said hospital, it shall be lawful for said hospital to return such insane person to the commissioners of the county, or to the constituted authorities having charge of the poor in the city, township or poor district which may be chargeable as aforesaid.

SEC. 8. That in case the principal physician of the insane department of said hospital, after careful examination of the case of any insane person being an inmate of said hospital, shall be satisfied that such person is cured of his or her insanity, it shall be the duty of such physician, with the approval of the board of managers, in case such insane person has been committed to said hospital by any court of this Commonwealth, excepting in cases included in the provisions of the first and fifth sections of this act, to furnish a certificate thereof, with the original certificate of commitment, to the solicitor of said hospital, whose duty it shall be to notify the sheriff of the proper county to remove the said inmate of said hospital forthwith, at the expense of such county, and thereupon such sheriff shall remove such person to the jail of the proper county, there to be held in strict custody, subject to the further order, decree or sentence of the court by which such person was committed to said hospital; and in case such sheriff shall fail or neglect, within thirty days after such notice, to return such person from the said hospital,

the physician of said hospital may proceed to return such cured person to the jail of the proper county, at the expense of such county.

SEC. 9. That in case the principal physician of the insane department of said hospital, after careful examination of the case of any insane person who shall have been sent to the said hospital under the provisions of the third section of this act, shall be satisfied that such person is cured of his or her insanity, it shall be the duty of said physician, by direction of the board of managers, to notify the commissioners of the proper county, which is chargeable with the expenses of the care and maintenance of such person, to remove such cured person from the hospital, and in case they fail so to do, within thirty days after such notice, the physician of said hospital shall proceed to send such cured person to the commissioners of said county, or to the jail, poor house, or other place from whence they came, at the expense of such county.

SEC. 10. That on the petition of any of the friends or relatives of any insane person, who may now or hereafter be confined in said hospital, who may not have been removed to said hospital from the Western State Penitentiary, or who may not have been committed to said hospital under the provisions of the sixty-seventh section of the act of thirty-first March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, relative to criminal procedure, to the court of common pleas of Allegheny county, or to the president or other law judge of said court in vacation, accompanied by the oath or affirmation of such applicant or applicants that the insane person is, in their opinion, safe to be at large, it shall be lawful for said court, or a judge thereof, at their or his discretion, where the same may be done with safety to the community, to deliver over the person so confined to such friends or relatives; but before ordering the delivery over of such lunatic, said court or judge shall cause notice of such application to be served by the applicant on the solicitor of said hospital, at least ten days before the hearing, and further, may require security to be given in such sum as the court or judge may direct, in the name of the Commonwealth, that such lunatic or insane person shall be well cared for, and shall do no injury to the person or property of any one when at large, and shall not become chargeable on any county or poor district of this Commonwealth, for and during such term of time as the court or the judge may direct.

SEC. 11. That whenever any insane persons are committed to said hospital, under the provisions of the second section of this act, or of the sixty-sixth, sixty-seventh or sixty-eighth sections of the act of thirty-first March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, hereinbefore referred to, it shall be the duty of the court to institute the inquiries required in the first section of this act as to the pecuniary circumstances of such insane person or persons, and their place of legal settlement or residence, and to give the notices therein



provided for to the commissioners of the county and authorities having charge of the poor in the poor district to which such insane person belongs by settlement or residence, and to certify the same to the managers or solicitor of said hospital, as therein provided for.

SEC. 12. That whenever any insane person is committed to said hospital by any court, or transferred to said hospital from the Western State Penitentiary, or sent to said hospital by the commissioners of any county or by the constituted authorities having charge of the poor in any city, township or poor district in this Commonwealth, the county where such insane person had a legal settlement or residence, or from which he or she was sent, or where the trial or proceedings were had under which he or she was committed or sent to said hospital, as the case may be, shall be liable to said hospital for the expenses of his or her care, medical attendance, maintenance, removal to and from the hospital, and in case of death, for funeral expenses, as is hereinbefore and by the laws of this Commonwealth provided; but in all such cases, the county so chargeable shall have remedy over against the proper township, city or poor district where, by existing laws, such township, city or poor district is liable for the support of such insane persons, where paupers, or against the property of such insane person, or against any relative required by law to maintain him or her; and the overseers or guardians of the poor of any such township, city or poor district, shall also have remedy over against the property of such insane person, or against any relative required by law to support or maintain him or her.

SEC. 13. That the said hospital may ask, demand, receive and collect from any guardian or overseer of the poor, of any city, township or poor district, any amount which may be due to them for the care, maintenance, medical attendance or other expenses of any insane persons with which such guardians or overseers of the poor may be chargeable, without impairing their right to collect any amount due and unpaid from the county or counties liable to the said hospital therefor, as aforesaid; and in all cases where money is now due, or shall hereafter become due to said hospital, from any township, city, poor district or county, for the care, medical attendance, maintenance, funeral or other expenses of any insane person or persons committed or sent to said hospital, it shall be lawful for the solicitor of said hospital to cause a statement of the account, with notice of the amount claimed to be due and unpaid, to be served on one or more of the commissioners of the proper county, or of the overseers or guardians of the poor of the city, township or poor district chargeable therewith, and if the same be not paid within thirty days after such notice and demand, it shall be lawful for the solicitor of said hospital to bring suit therefor, in the corporate name of said hospital, against any such county, city or township which may be indebted as aforesaid, in the court of

common pleas of Allegheny county, or in the district court of said county, to collect the amount so claimed to be due, whenever [whether] such amount exceeds the sum of one hundred dollars or otherwise, and such actions shall be entitled to like precedence as suits for claims due to the Commonwealth.

SEC. 14. That in all cases where an insane person is committed to said hospital by any court authorized so to do, a certified copy of the commitment shall be furnished to the solicitor of the hospital, and also to the principal physician of the insane department, before or at the time when such insane person is sent to said hospital, which shall be evidence in any suit brought by the hospital to receive the amount due for the expenses of such insane person; and no defense shall be taken by any county, township, city or poor district, in any suit brought against them to receive the amount of such expenses, on account of any defect or informality in such commitment or the record thereof, nor by reason of the failure of the court making such commitment to give the notices or certificates required by the first and eleventh sections of this act.

SEC. 15. That in all cases where any county shall be liable as aforesaid to the said hospital for any amount of the expenses of any insane persons, and the amount due to said hospital by such county shall remain unpaid for three months after demand and notice of the amount due, served, with a statement of the account, on the commissioners of such county, or a majority of them, it shall be lawful for the managers of said hospital to return to the jail of said county those insane persons whose expenses are due and remain unpaid by said county, excepting such as may have been removed to said hospital from the Western State Penitentiary; and said hospital shall also have the right to collect the amount due by said county in the manner provided in the thirteenth section of this act.

SEC. 16. That in order of admission of patients to the hospital, recent cases shall have preference over those of long standing; and as far as the capacity of the hospital will permit, the indigent insane shall have precedence of paying patients.

SEC. 17. That the said hospital shall charge for all indigent insane persons committed to their charge by any court or courts of this Commonwealth, or sent there by the commissioners of any county, or the constituted authorities having charge of the poor, or removed thither from the Western State Penitentiary, such reasonable amount for the care, medical attendance and maintenance, including clothing, and for funeral and other expenses, as may be fixed from time to time, in manner following, to wit: the board of managers shall, at any regular meeting, fix the rate to be charged per week, for the care, medical attendance and maintenance of indigent insane persons, at as low a rate, not below the actual cost thereof, and not exceeding two dollars and fifty cents per week, as the financial condition of the institution will, in their judgment, per-

mit, providing therein for special cases in which extra attendance is required: *Provided*, That in the notices to the managers calling such meeting it shall be stated that the rate to be charged to indigent insane persons is to be fixed thereat, and the rate so fixed shall continue for at least three months thereafter, and until the same is altered at a meeting of the board of managers called for that purpose; but for those insane patients who are not indigent, and whose estate is adequate, or whose friends are willing, to pay their expenses, the hospital may charge such terms as the board of managers may direct.

SEC. 18. That the counties of this Commonwealth from which insane persons may be committed or sent, at the expense of such counties, to said hospital, are the following, to wit: Armstrong, Allegheny, Beaver, Butler, Cambria, Clarion, Clearfield, Crawford, Erie, Elk, Forest, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Jefferson, Lawrence, Mercer, M'Kean, Somerset, Venango, Washington, Warren and Westmoreland, and such counties as may be hereafter erected therefrom.

SEC. 19. That the ground now owned, or which may be hereafter purchased, by said hospital, shall not be subject to have any public street, lane, alley or road laid out or opened through it, so long as the same shall be held, used and employed for the purposes of said hospital; and that any road or right of way heretofore existing through any part of the property so owned, used and occupied by said hospital, which shall not have been laid out by order of court, or by actual grant or conveyance, duly recorded, shall be and the same is hereby vacated.

SEC. 20. That the supplement to the act incorporating the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, approved on the eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, excepting the first and eleventh sections thereof; and the seventh section of the supplement to the several acts of Assembly relative to the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Hospital, approved on the eighth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, and all acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith, so far as they relate to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

APPROVED, April 22, 1863.



## LIST OF COUNTIES

INCLUDED IN THE WESTERN JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

ARMSTRONG,	ERIE,	MERCER,
ALLEGHENY,	ELK,	M'KEAN,
BEAVER,	FAYETTE,	SOMERSET,
BUTLER,	GREENE,	VENANGO,
CAMBRIA,	INDIANA,	WASHINGTON,
CLARION,	JEFFERSON,	WARREN,
CRAWFORD,	LAWRENCE,	WESTMORELAND.

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## ADMISSION OF PATIENTS

TO INSANE DEPARTMENT.

1. Preparatory to the admission of a patient, unless when committed by order of the Court, the Superintendent shall be furnished with the certificate of a Physician that he has seen and examined the individual, and believes him or her to be insane, with the request of a near relative or friend that the patient may be received into the Hospital, and a bond, with satisfactory security, for the payment of board and other expenses while in the Institution. All private patients thus received, shall make a payment of thirteen weeks' board in advance, when brought to the Hospital; and if taken away uncured and against the advice and consent of the Physician within that period, no part of said payment shall be refunded.

2. Whenever a patient is sent to the Hospital by the order of any Court, Justice or Judge, or Directors of the Poor, the order or warrant or a copy thereof, by which such person is sent, shall be lodged with the Physician.

3. Each patient, before admission, shall be made perfectly clean, and be free from vermin, or any contagious or infectious disease.

4. Each male patient shall be provided with at least three new shirts, a new and substantial coat, vest and pantaloons of strong woollen cloth, three pairs of woollen socks, a black stock or cravat, a good hat or cap, and a pair of new shoes or boots, together with a comfortable outside garment.

5. Each female patient, in addition to the same quantity of under garments, shoes and stockings, shall have a flannel petticoat,

two good dresses, also a cloak or other outside garment. In case the patient is so much excited as to not admit of being thus clothed, other clothing that can be kept on, that is comfortable, and in sufficient quantity, with a change thereof, may be substituted.

6. It is very desirable that extra and better apparel should be sent with those accustomed to it, that when their health is improved, or when they attend religious worship, walk or ride out, their self-respect may be preserved.

In all cases the patient's best clothing should be sent; it will be carefully preserved, and only used when deemed necessary for the purpose above mentioned. Jewelry, and all superfluous articles of dress, knives, &c., should be left at home, as they are liable to be lost.

7. A written history of the case should be sent with the patient, and if possible, some one acquainted with the individual should accompany him to the Hospital, from whom minute, but often essential particulars, may be learned.

8. The price of board, including washing, mending and attendance, for all who are supported at the public charge, is three dollars per week. For private patients, or those supported by themselves or their friends, the price varies from four to ten dollars, according to the trouble and expense incurred, and according to their ability to pay. Higher prices are paid by special agreement with the Physician for extra attention and accommodations.

Payments are required to be made quarterly in advance, on the fifteenth of March, June, September and December.

9. A bond with satisfactory sureties, will be required for the payment of the board and expenses, and for the removal of the patient when discharged, of all persons, excepting those sent at the expense of the counties or townships.

Those who bring friends, should be prepared to give such a bond, and if strangers, furnish evidence of their responsibility.

## FORMS OF COMMITMENT.

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THE following forms have been prepared to be used in all cases of the commitment of insane patients to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital. No patients will be received by commitment unless the following forms, or others substantially like them, are presented, duly executed, to the Superintendent. Prothonotaries of courts, attorneys, and others requiring to use these forms, will be furnished with them by application in person or by letter to the Superintendent at the Hospital, or to W. Bakewell, Attorney for the Hospital, at his office, No. 75 Grant street, Pittsburgh.

*Commitment at request of party interested, after finding of the insanity of the patient.*

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,

*To the Sheriff of ——— County, and to The Western Pennsylvania Hospital:*  
[SEAL.]

Whereas, at the ——— Sessions, 18—, of the Court of ———, in and for said County of ———, held at ———, on the ——— day of ———, 18—, the same being a Court of Record in Western Pennsylvania, and having jurisdiction of offenses that are punishable by imprisonment for the term of ninety days or longer, the petition of ——— ——— was presented, applying to our said Court for the commitment to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, of ——— ———, alleged by said petitioner to be insane, and resident within the said County of ———;

And whereas, on the ——— day of ———, 18—, a jury was called, elected by ballot, duly impanelled and sworn according to law, to inquire into the fact of the insanity of said ——— ———, in the manner provided by law; and said inquest did, upon their several solemn oaths or affirmations, respectively, find that the said ——— ——— is insane;

And whereas, our said Court being satisfied that the said ——— ——— is, by reason of such insanity, *unsafe to be at large, or is suffering under unnecessary duress or hardship*, did, on the ——— day

NOTE.—Those portions of the commitments printed in italics, are left blank in the printed forms, to be filled up according to the circumstances of each case.

of —, 18, adjudge and decree that the said — be committed to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, to be treated according to the rules and regulations of said Institution and the laws of this Commonwealth, and there detained until the further order of said Court, or of one of the Judges thereof; and further, that the expense of the care and maintenance of said —, and of his removal to and from said Hospital, shall be paid by the said County of —, according to law;

And whereas, it was made to appear to our said Court, that the said — had, at the time of the finding of said inquest, *a legal settlement in the —, in said County*, of all which facts our said Court has given due notice to the constituted authorities having charge of the poor in the said — of —:

Now, therefore, these are to charge and command you, the said Sheriff, forthwith to convey and deliver into the custody of The Western Pennsylvania Hospital, in the County of Allegheny, in this Commonwealth, the body of said —, and you, the said The Western Pennsylvania Hospital are hereby required to receive the said — into your custody, care and keeping, in the said Hospital, and there to keep *him* safely, to be treated according to the rules and regulations of said Institution and the laws of this Commonwealth, in such cases made and provided, until the further order of our said Court, or of one of the Judges thereof.

Witness the Honorable —, the President Judge of our said Court, this — day of —, A. D. 18—.

—, *Clerk.*

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, }  
County of —, } *Sct.*

*To all whom it may concern:*

These presents are to certify, according to law, that  
[SEAL.] —, who was, on the — day of —, A. D. 18—, committed to the said The Western Pennsylvania Hospital, by the Court of *Quarter Sessions of the Peace* in and for the County of —, in said Commonwealth, has a legal settlement in the —.

In testimony whereof, I —, President Judge of the Court of *Quarter Sessions of the Peace* in and for the County of —, have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of said Court to be affixed, this — day of —, A. D. 18—.

—, *Prest. Judge.*

Attest: —, *Clerk.*



*Commitment of party charged with offense punishable by imprisonment or death, after finding of insanity.*

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,

*To the Sheriff of ——— County, and to The Western Penn-*  
[SEAL.] *sylvania Hospital, Greeting :*

Whereas, ——— having been charged with the offense of ——— at the Sessions of the Court of *Quarter Sessions of the Peace* in and for the said County of ———, was on the ———, 18—, by verdict of an inquest duly impanneled to try the indictment against said ———, for the said offense, in the manner provided by law, found to have been insane at the time the said offense was committed, and that the said ——— still continues insane ; and whereas, the said inquest, upon their solemn oaths or affirmations, respectively, did further find, that the said ——— had *no legal settlement in this Commonwealth, but that the place of residence at the time when said offense was committed, was the township of ———, in the county of ——— [or] a legal settlement in the Commonwealth, at the time the said offense was committed, to wit : in the township of ———, and the county of ——— ;* and did further find, on their respective oaths or affirmations as aforesaid, that the said ——— is in indigent circumstances :

And whereas, our said Court of *Quarter Sessions of the Peace*, of the said county, did thereupon, on ———, 18—, adjudge and decree that the said ——— be committed to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, to be treated according to the rules and regulations of said Institution, and the laws of this Commonwealth, and there detained until *he* is thence discharged by due process of law, or the order of our said Court, or of one of the Judges thereof ; and further, that the expense of the care and maintenance of said ———, and of his removal to and from said Hospital, shall be paid by the said County of ———, according to law :

And whereas, our said Court of *Quarter Sessions of the Peace*, in and for said County of ———, did give due notice thereof to the constituted authority having charge of the poor in the said *township of ———, to wit : the Overseers of the Poor of the said ——— :*

Now, therefore, these are to charge and command you, the said Sheriff, forthwith to convey and deliver into the custody of The Western Pennsylvania Hospital, in the County of Allegheny, in this Commonwealth, the body of said ——— ; and you, the said The Western Pennsylvania Hospital, are hereby required to receive the said ——— into your custody, care and keeping in the said Hospital, and there to keep *him* safely, to be treated according to the rules and regulations of said Institution, and the laws of this

Commonwealth in such cases made and provided, until the said ——— shall be thence discharged by due process of law, or by the order of our said Court, or of one of the Judges thereof.

Witness the Honorable ———, President Judge of our said Court, this ——— day of ———, 18—.

————, *Clerk.*

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, }  
County of ——— } *Sct.*

*To all whom it may concern :*

These presents are to certify, that ———, who  
[SEAL.] was on the ——— day of ———, A. D. 18—, committed  
to the said The Western Pennsylvania Hospital, by the  
Court of *Quarter Sessions of the Peace* in and for the county of  
———, in said Commonwealth, has a legal settlement in the ———.

In testimony whereof, I, ———, President Judge of the Court  
of ———, have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of  
said Court to be affixed, this ——— day of ———, A. D. 18—.

————, *Pres. Judge.*

Attest : ———, *Clerk.*

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*Order of Commitment of persons by Directors or Guardians of Poor.*

Whereas, by Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved the 9th of May, 1855, the several constituted authorities having care and charge of the poor of the respective counties, districts and townships of Western Pennsylvania, have authority to send to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, situate in the County of Allegheny, in said Commonwealth, such indigent insane persons under their charge as they may deem proper subjects :

Now, therefore, we, the ——— of the Poor of the ———, in the county of ———, in said Commonwealth, do hereby commit to the care, charge and keeping of The Western Pennsylvania Hospital, ———, to be kept in said Institution, and there treated and cared for, according to the rules and regulations thereof, until he shall, in the judgment of the physician of the said Hospital, be fully restored to a sane mind, or for so long as the Managers of said Institution may consent to retain said ——— in the said Hospital, unless the said ——— shall be sooner removed by the said ——— of the ——— Poor of the ——— in the said county.

And we do hereby covenant and agree, for ourselves and our suc-



cessors in office, that we will well and truly pay, or cause to be paid, to the said The Western Pennsylvania Hospital, all the expenses of the care and maintenance of said ———, and of — removal to and from said Hospital, the same to be paid quarterly from this date ; and further, that in the event of the death of said ——— while in the care and custody of said Institution, that we and our successors in office, shall and will well and truly pay to the said The Western Pennsylvania Hospital, the funeral expenses of the said ———.

Witness our hands, this ———day of ——— A. D. 18—.

Witness : ———.

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*Physician's Certificate for Admission in the Insane Department.*

I, ———, of ——— do hereby certify, that I have this day seen and examined ———, of ———, in the county of ———, and believe — to be insane, and a proper patient to be sent to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

———, *M. D.*

*Request for Admission.*

I, ———, of ———, hereby request that ———, of ———, the patient above named, may be admitted as a patient into the Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

———, 18—.

*Bond.*

Know all men by these presents, that we ———, of ———, in the county of ———, and State of Pennsylvania, are held and firmly bound unto The Western Pennsylvania Hospital, its successors or assigns, in the sum of five hundred dollars, for the payment of which we jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, firmly by these presents :

Whereas, ——— of ——— in the county of ———, and who is insane, has been admitted as a patient to the Western Pennsylvania Hospital, at Pittsburgh : Now, therefore, the condition of this obligation is, that if the said obligors shall pay to the said The Western Pennsylvania Hospital, its successors or assigns, the sum of ——— dollars and ——— cents per week, for the board of said patient, so long as he shall continue in said Hospital, with such extra charges as may be occasioned by — requiring more than ordinary care and attention, and shall provide for — suitable clothing, and shall pay for all such necessary articles of clothing as shall be procured for — by the Steward of said Hospital, and shall remove — from said Hospital whenever required to do so by the Superintendent ; and if the said obligors shall also pay, not exceeding fifty dollars, for all damages the said patient may do to the furniture or other property of the Hospital, and for reasonable charges in case of — death ; and in case the said patient shall be removed from said Hospital by, or at the request of us, or either of us, or by any other person or persons, before the expiration of three calendar months after — reception, and without — having been discharged by the Superintendent as cured ; then if the said obligors shall pay the board of said patient for thirteen weeks, all payments for board and clothing to be made in advance quarterly, on the fifteenth day of March, June, September and December, in each year, and at the time of removal, with interest on each bill, from and after the time it becomes due, then this obligation to be void, or otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

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